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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 7, 2003 (Paper No. 11) for which a response is due on May 7, 2003. A petition and fee for a three-month extension of time are enclosed to extend the time for response from May 7, 2003 to August 7, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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